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SQUAW CREEK REFUGE HOST

PROJECT WET AND WILD TEACHER WORKSHOP

Mound City, Missouri -- Squaw Creek National Wildlife Refuge will host a Project Wet and Project Wild teacher workshop on Saturday, September 26, 2009 from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. The workshop is presented by the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) in partnership with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Classroom and pre-service educators, home schoolers, youth leaders, and college students are encouraged to participate. The one-day workshop will help assist educators incorporate wildlife-related concepts into school curriculums or outdoor environmental education field trips. The workshop will provide activities orienting educators to the refuge's outdoor classroom resources for their students. Participants will meet at the Squaw Creek Refuge headquarters located from Highway 159 south in Mound City. Registration must be made through the Missouri Department of Conservation by September 18. Participants should contact Adam Brandsgaard from MDC at email; adam.brandsgaard@mdc.mo.gov or call (660)646-6122.

Project Wet and Wild is an interdisciplinary conservation and environmental education program emphasizing wildlife. It can be used to teach most major subject areas including language arts, social studies, math and art and is suited to science as well.

For additional workshop information, Charles Marshall can be contacted at the Squaw Creek Refuge by calling (660) 442-3187 ext. 4 or email at: charlie_marshall@fws.gov.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is the principal federal agency responsible for conserving, protecting and enhancing fish, wildlife and plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people. The Service manages the 100-million-acre National Wildlife Refuge System which encompasses more than 550 national wildlife refuges, thousands of small wetlands and other special management areas. It also operates 69 national fish hatcheries, 63 fishery resource offices and 81 ecological services field stations. The agency enforces federal wildlife laws, administers the Endangered Species Act, manages migratory bird populations, restores nationally significant fisheries, conserves and restores wildlife habitat such as wetlands, and helps foreign governments with their conservation efforts. It also oversees the Federal Aid program that distributes hundreds of millions of dollars in excise taxes on fishing and hunting equipment to state fish and wildlife agencies.

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